

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Doherty *et al.*

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This responds to the Office action dated September 17, 2010. A three-month shortened period of response was set, and the fee for a three-month extension of time is submitted herewith, making a response timely if filed on or before **March 17, 2011**. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required in connection with this filing to the Deposit Account referenced on the accompanying transmittal.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 8.